

I would like to comment on this petition by Verizon to postpone or do away with number portability for wireless service.

I believe that by allowing number portability, competition is fostered and these companies will begin providing the best services possible for their customers.

The cost of implementing number portability is insignificant compared to the long term benefits to the consumer and free markets. This cost could be offset by a small surcharge during the next two years to implement such a move. The airlines are doing something similar with airline security.

I would hope that the FCC does not give in to this petition, but holds the wireless companies to their original promise to make number portability available to consumers.

Regards,

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